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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

RE LAGOS 01116

1. LETTER OF JANUARY 29, HOOKS TO DR. ASHIWAJU, REQUESTS OFFICIAL RESPONSE TO SMITHSONIAN INVITATION. COPY HAS BEEN MAILED TO POST. SMITHSONIAN CONTRACT OFFICE INSISTS AFRICAN DIASPORA HAVE GON ACCEPTANCE IN WRITING OF SCHEDULED VISIT AND TOUR ARRANGEMENTS BEFORE CONTRACTS WITH SPONSORS ON TOUR CAN BE MADE. WOULD APPRECIATE USIS INQUIRING AT OFFICE OF CHIEF CULTURAL OFFICER WHETHER SUCH LETTER CAN BE ISSUED, TO USIS OR TO SMITHSONIAN, ACCEPTING ARRANGEMENTS IN PRINCIPLE.

2. PER SOWANDE'S TALKS WITH AWODOYE AND OGUNADE, WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ASAP THEIR LISTS OF NAMES, SEXES, AGES AND PERFORMING SPECIALTIES OF ALL NIGERIANS RECOMMENDED FOR FESTIVAL PARTICIPATION.

3. AFRICAN DIASPORA PLANNING SOME SUPPORTIVE EDUCATIONAL ARTICLES OR PAMPHLETS ON PERFORMERS AND ARTISTS, AND UNCLASSIFIED

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THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO THE GENERAL CULTURAL RENAISSANCE

IN NIGERIA. WOULD THEREFORE BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY GRATIS
MONOGRAPHS, RELATED DOCUMENTATION, WHICH CULTURAL OFFICE

MIGHT PROVIDE, OR SUGGESTED SOURCES FOR SAME, WHICH
AFRICAN DIASPORA CAN ORDER. DIASPORA'S FINAL OUTPUT
WILL BE DISTRIBUTED EXCLUSIVELY BY SMITHSONIAN AT COST ON
NON-COMMERCIAL BASIS. INGERSOLL

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